

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An information processing system made up by a first apparatus for supervising data, a second apparatus for exploiting said data, and a third apparatus for connecting said second apparatus to another apparatus, said information processing system comprising

supplying means for supplying said data from said first apparatus to said second apparatus;

connecting means for connecting said second apparatus to said other apparatus over a network by said third apparatus; and

transmitting means for transmitting the data supplied by said supplying means to said second apparatus from said second apparatus, connected by said connecting means, to said other apparatus.

2. The information processing system according to claim 1 wherein said first apparatus supervises first picture data of a thumbnail picture, a first URL associated with said first picture data, a second URL associated with said first URL and second picture data for enlarged display of said thumbnail picture associated with said second URL.

3. The information processing system according to claim 2 wherein, in case said first URL is supplied by said supplying means, said first URL is sent to said other apparatus by said transmitting means, and said other apparatus includes means for acquiring, from the first apparatus, the first picture data associated with the first

URL transmitted from said transmitting means.

4. The information processing system according to claim 2 wherein said second apparatus is supplied from said first apparatus with said first URL and, in case said second picture data for enlarging a thumbnail picture corresponding to said first URL has become necessary, said second apparatus sends said first URL to said first apparatus;

said second apparatus acquiring said second URL, returned from said first apparatus as being associated with said first URL;

said second apparatus further acquiring said second picture data from said first apparatus based on the second URL acquired.

5. The information processing system according to claim 1 wherein said data transmitted by said transmitting means is sent to said other apparatus through said third apparatus.

6. An information processing apparatus comprising

first acquisition means for acquiring a first URL associated with first picture data supervised by a first apparatus;

connection means for connecting to a second apparatus for exchanging data therewith;

first supplying means for supplying said first URL, obtained by said first acquisition means, to said second apparatus, connected by said connecting means;

second acquisition means for accessing said first apparatus, based on said

first URL, obtained by said first acquisition means, for acquiring said first picture data;

displaying means for displaying a picture derived from said first picture data obtained by said second acquisition means;

specifying means for specifying said first URL associated with said picture data of said picture, among said pictures demonstrated on said display means, on which a cursor is located; and

second supplying means for supplying said first URL, specified by said specifying means, to said second apparatus, connected by said connecting means.

7. The information processing apparatus according to claim 6 further comprising

verifying means for verifying whether or not a command has been issued for enlarging the picture derived from said first picture data associated with said first URL specified by said specifying means;

third acquisition means for transmitting, in case said verifying means has determined that the command has been issued for enlarging said picture, said first URL specified by said specifying means to said first apparatus, for obtaining a second URL associated with said first URL; and

third supplying means for supplying said second URL as obtained by said third acquisition means, to said second apparatus.

8. The information processing apparatus according to claim 6 wherein the connection by said connection means is via a third apparatus.

9. The information processing apparatus according to claim 6 wherein said display means demonstrates a picture derived from said first picture data acquired by said second acquisition means, and further demonstrates the information for allowing a user to recognize a picture demonstrated on a display unit of said second apparatus

10. An information processing method comprising

- a first acquisition control step of controlling the acquisition of a first URL associated with first picture data supervised by a first apparatus;

- a connecting step of providing for connection to a second apparatus for enabling data exchange therewith;

- a first supplying step for supplying said first URL, the acquisition of which has been controlled by the processing of said first acquisition control step, to said second apparatus, connected by processing in said connecting step;

- a second acquisition control step of accessing said first apparatus, based on said first URL, obtained by the processing of said first acquisition control step, for controlling the acquisition of said first picture data;

- a display control step of controlling the display of a picture derived from said first picture data, the acquisition of which has been controlled by the processing of said second acquisition control step;

- a specifying step of specifying said first URL associated with said first picture data of the picture, among said pictures display-controlled by the processing by said display control step, on which a cursor is located; and

a second supplying step of supplying said first URL, specified by said specifying step, to said second apparatus, connected by the processing of said connecting step.

11. A recording medium having recorded thereon a computer-readable program, said computer-readable program including

a first acquisition control step of controlling the acquisition of a first URL associated with first picture data supervised by a first apparatus;

a connecting step of providing for connection to a second apparatus for enabling data exchange therewith;

a first supplying step for supplying said first URL, the acquisition of which has been controlled by the processing of said first acquisition control step, to said second apparatus, connected by processing in said connecting step;

a second acquisition control step of accessing said first apparatus, based on said first URL, obtained by the processing of said first acquisition control step, for controlling the acquisition of said first picture data;

a display control step of controlling the display of a picture derived from said first picture data, the acquisition of which has been controlled by the processing of said second acquisition control step;

a specifying step of specifying said first URL associated with said first picture data of the picture, among said pictures display-controlled by the processing by said display control step, on which a cursor is located; and

a second supplying step of supplying said first URL, specified by said specifying step, to said second apparatus, connected by the processing of said connecting step.

12. A program for having a computer execute

a first acquisition control step of controlling the acquisition of a first URL associated with first picture data supervised by a first apparatus;

a connecting step of providing for connection to a second apparatus for enabling data exchange therewith;

a first supplying step for supplying said first URL, the acquisition of which has been controlled by the processing of said first acquisition control step, to said second apparatus, connected by processing in said connecting step;

a second acquisition control step of accessing said first apparatus, based on said first URL, obtained by the processing of said first acquisition control step, for controlling the acquisition of said first picture data;

a display control step of controlling the display of a picture derived from said first picture data, the acquisition of which has been controlled by the processing of said second acquisition control step;

a specifying step of specifying said first URL associated with said first picture data of said picture, among said pictures display-controlled by the processing by said display control step, on which a cursor is located; and

a second supplying step of supplying said first URL, specified by said

specifying step, to said second apparatus, connected by the processing of said connecting step.